

**Montauk Fire District**  
**September 25, 2019**  
**Commissioners Workshop Meeting 19:00 hours**

**MINUTES**

**Commissioners Present:** Michael Mirras  
Dick Monahan  
Jim Wright

**Also Present:** Chief Ryan, 2<sup>nd</sup> Asst. Chief Scott Snow, Lieutenant Bob Mautscke and District Secretary/Treasurer Dawn Lucas

**Call Meeting to Order:**

Commissioner Mirras- acting Chairman called the meeting to order at 19:00 hours asking everyone to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Secretary's Report:**

**Approval of Minutes;** Commissioner Wright motioned to approve the minutes of the September 10, 2019 Regular Meeting, seconded by Commissioner Monahan; motioned/passed/carried.

**Building Use Request;**

• Montauk Beach Preservation Committee is requesting use of the Meeting Room on October 29, 2019 for public information meeting, no conflicts, Commissioner Wright approved pending check; seconded by Commissioner Monahan; motioned/passed/carried.

**•Purchase Requisitions;**

• A purchase requisition for new modems for the LifePak units, totaling \$3,000.00. Commissioner Mirras motioned to approve, seconded by Commissioner Monahan; motioned/passed/carried.

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**Audit of Bills:**

• Ms. Lucas presented invoices to be paid, totaling \$54,568.79. Commissioner Wright motioned to approve; seconded by Commissioner Monahan; motioned/passed/carried.

**•Workshop Topics:**

• **Cancer Prevention- Commercial Grade Washer/Dryer-** Commissioner Mirras spoke with Amagansett Fire Department and Fire Advisory, found that there are departments already having interior fireman wash their gear after each fire and they are all moving to these larger units. He is just waiting for some more bids from Brent and will finalize at next meeting.

• Commissioner Wright discussed a budget question that arises with all items that are in need. Commissioner Mirras stated we will need to prioritize what is mandated and in order of importance.

- Chief also stated our MSA bottles will have to be filled by Firematic. Peconic Fire is no longer filling them. Commissioner Mirras stated, Bridgehampton and Sag Harbor volunteered to fill ours for free, might be able to fill at Amagansett once they get their machine.
- Chief mentioned he is waiting over 8 months on a pair of bunker pants for Brian Stuckart. Can we cancel order?
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- **Antenna at Firehouse** – Commissioner Mirras spoke with Peter Van Scoyoc about replacing our antenna with like kind. He said we should go through the planning department. Commissioner Mirras will go to planning department next Tuesday and discuss with person in charge to see if we need permits or not.
- Commissioner Mirras informed us about the radio system, the Town has already put new discs up on the Town's Tower, and will be working on the tower for Montauk. It will be the same antenna with new discs, same housing for the new equipment and then transfer over to new antenna once approved.
- Gator site has been approved and bonded so antenna will be going there at same height as poles already there.

**Air Duct Cleaning- Waiting** on more quotes, tabled till next meeting.

**October Meeting date change-** Motion made to change Regular scheduled Commissioner meeting from October 8, 2019 to October 15, 2019. Commissioner Wright motioned, seconded by Commissioner Monahan; motioned/passed/carried.

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- **Budget-** As per state law, we handed into the Town our proposed budget that was approved at our last meeting yesterday. At the Annual Fire District Public Hearing on October 15, 2019, we can make changes to the budget at that time. Commissioner Mirras stated after plugging in all the numbers on the state's website, we can actually increase the budget by \$40,000. The plan is to put most to equipment with all the new expenditures we will have and the rest to the electric line item. These changes can only be made at this public hearing.

**Chief's Report:**

- 9-3-3 is up at vendor in Ronkonkoma for check engine light, warranty issue, should be back in 3-4 days.
- Chief was asking about the gen. lights- as per Commissioner Monahan, waiting on a carburetor for one of them.
- Chief Ryan is requesting to put the antiques at the sub-station. He would also like 9-3-8, 9-3-9, the boat and 9-3-12- the department p/u in the back garage. The Commissioner's will discuss and get back to the Chief regarding this.
- Chief also wanted to let us know the sub-station looks good.
- Personal- some members are dragging on points.
- Physicals are being done.
- The Chief also brought up the discussion of water pressure when dealing with a structure fire. Recently Amagansett lost a house because of weak water pressure coming off the hydrant. SCWA has water flow maps of all the hydrants we have in our town. If water pressure is weak, they will repair it. We should request a map from them.
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**Open to the Floor:**

Commissioner Mirras clarified that the District does not approve or disapprove of any Department by-law changes. The District's job is to make sure any by-laws that the Department wants does not violate any state laws.

Commissioner Wright stated the sub-station problem was fixed. Core samples by the extrication pad was completed today. Lighting for Memorial, just waiting for electrical work to be completed.

The new ambulance is due to arrive in December- what are we going to do with 9-3-18? Commissioner's stated in order to make an informed decision they need to get the statistics together for last 3 years and discuss the pro's and con's of keeping/selling the ambulance.

Commissioners would like to know when contract ends with Village Dispatch.

Commissioner Wright motioned to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Monahan; motioned/passed/carried

**Adjourned 19:55 hours**